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All Division Chiefs

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Proposed Correlation of the ORR Classification of Economic Activities and Factors with the revised edition of the Intelligence Subject Code

1. It is proposed that in the near future, ORR recode all estimates cards to conform with the Intelligence Subject Code. The objective of the recoding is to make ORR's system consistent with the coding system to be used by OCR for its planned document filing and recovery systems. This recoding will occur as soon as OCR completes its current revision of the code, and will simplify any future reorganization of the ORR estimates into an integrated machine system.
2. In general, the subject titles in the Intelligence Subject Code are similar to the titles in the ORR Classification of Economic Activities and Factors. Because the coding system is entirely different, however, it eventually will require the recoding of the ORR system. There are several suggestions presently under consideration which should reduce the work load when recoding becomes necessary.
3. An approved draft copy of the revised Intelligence Subject Code along with the current ORR Classification of Economic Activities and Factors is included with this memorandum as a basis for comparison of the subjects included in the two systems. The page number for the subjects in the Intelligence Subject Code has been written beside the corresponding subject in the ORR Classification of Economic Activities and Factors. These documents should be scrutinized closely to determine the degree of correlation between the two. In particular, it is necessary to insure that essential major subjects, for example crude steel, are included in the Intelligence Subject Code. Major divisions cannot be inserted after the recoding is completed, although subdivisions can be added.

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4. All suggestions pertaining to the inclusion of new items or to the setting up of new subdivisions within present items should be brought to the attention of St/PB/A in memorandum form.

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